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SUBJ: DRUMBEATING FOR CONFISCATION OF ITT HOLDINGS

REF: A) STATE 068889, B) SANTIAGO 1606, C) SANTIAGO 1461

PASS OPIC

1. NOT UNEXPECTEDLY, ONE LOCAL OUTGROWTH OF ITT HEARINGS HAS BEEN RECRUDESCENCE OF DEMANDS FOR OUTRIGHT CONFISCATION OF ITT INTERESTS IN CHILE. IN DECLARATIONS OPENING MAPU (GAZMURI FACTION) PLENUM APR 13, BOTH JAIME GAZMURI AND JUAN ENRIQUE VEGA ADVOCATED "CONFISCATION OF ITT ASSETS IN CHILE." SAME DAY PRO-UP "WOMEN'S PATRIOTIC FRONT (FPM)" HELD PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, INAUGURATION OF CAMPAIGN TO CONFISCATE ITT PROPERTY. (FPM WAS ORGANIZED BY UP ELEMENTS DURING OCT 1972 COMMERCIAL SHUTDOWN. ITS SPOKESMAN IS HARDLINE PS SENATOR MARIA ELENA CARRERA.) GARRETON FACTION OF MAPU HAS BEEN MAKING SIMILAR NOISES, AND MIR HAS NEVER RELENTED. SO FAR UP MEDIA HAVE PLAYED DEMANDS IN LOW-KEY.

2. NONE OF THESE DEMANDS SPECIFIES THE ITT PROPERTIES IN QUESTION, AND WE NOTE THAT RECENT REMARKS BY FONMIN ALMEYDA (REF A) AND PRES ALLENDE (REF B), IF SUGGESTIVE, ARE ALSO VAGUE ON WHAT GOC MAY OR MAY NOT BE TOYING WITH.

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3. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT BILL EXPROPRIATING MAJOR ITT HOLDING CHILTELCO IS MOVING AGAIN AFTER APPARENT STALLING BY EXECUTIVE ( REF C). ON CONCLUSION US SENATE HEARINGS, EXECUTIVE ASKED CHILEAN SENATE FOR " URGENT" PROCESSING. ON APR 11 SENATE TAGGED BILL WITH " SIMPLE URGENCY, " WHICH MEANS BODY GAVE ITSELF THEORETICAL 20 DAYS TO PRONOUNCE. CHAMBER OF DEPTS ASSENTED TO EXECUTIVE' S TEXT, WITH FEW MODIFICATIONS, IN SEPT 1972. WE HAVE SEEN NO HARD EVIDENCE THUS FAR THAT EXECUTIVE IS SEEKING ALTER BILL EITHER BY MAKING IT OVERTLY PUNITIVE OR BY BROADENING SCOPE TO INCLUDE OTHER ITT HOLDINGS.

DECONTROL APR 16, 1974.

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